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SUBJ: REFUGEES EX-INDOCHINA--BUDGETARY REQUIREMENTS

REF: A) GENEVA 3821; B) GENEVA 4132

1. ICEM INFORMS THAT COMMITTEE'S ESTIMATED ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS THROUGH JUNE 30, 1975, FOR ACTIVITIES CONNECTION REFUGEES EX-INDOCHINA WILL TOTAL \$183,000. THIS AMOUNT COVERS SALARY COSTS, TRAVEL, PER DIEM, COMMUNICATIONS, OFFICE SUPPLIES, ETC. SUCH COSTS, OF COURSE, EXPECTED TO BE ON-GOING BEYOND JUNE 30.

2. FOLLOWING IS BREAKDOWN OF ICEM'S ESTIMATED COSTS FOR HANDLING MOVEMENT OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES DURING PERIOD APRIL 25-JUNE 30, 1975:

1. EX-GUAM-TO AUSTRALIA, BELGIUM, CANADA, FRANCE, GERMANY
NO OF PERSONS 285 EST COST OF US DOLS 210,000
SINGAPORE/KOREA, UK

2. EX-HONG KONG TO BELGIUM, FRANCE
GERMANY , GUAM, USA 715 COST 260,000

3. EX-SINGAPORE TO FRANCE, GUAM, USA 256 COST 130,000

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5. EX-THAILAND TO AUSTRIA, AUSTRALIA, FRANCE, ITALY, NEW

ZEALAND, NORWAY, USA 195 COST 92,000

5. EX-INDAI TO FRANCE, ITALY 13 COST 7,000

6. EX-HAWAII TO CONTINENTAL USA 26 COST 6,000

7. EX-USA TO FRANCE, UK 281 COST 98,000

TOTAL 1,771 DOLS 803,000

3. MISOFF HAS URGED ICEM TO TAKE ALL POSSIBLE MEASURES TO HAVE RECEIVING GOVERNMENTS COVER MOVEMENT COSTS AND ICEM AGREES TO DO THIS TO EXTENT POSSIBLE. WE HAVE ALSO REMINDED THEM OF UNHCR'S APPEAL TO GOVERNMENTS FOR FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS AS WELL AS RESETTLEMENT OPPORTUNITIES AND CITED THIS AS POSSIBLE SOURCE OF REVENUE FOR RESETTLEMENT OPERATION. HOWEVER, ICEM SEEMS TO BE PROCEEDING ON ASSUMPTION THAT USG WILL COVER ANY GAP IN FUNDING FOR THIS OPERATION (ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL) AND IS SEEKING A SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTION FROM US FOR THIS PURPOSE.

4. RE PARA 3 REFTTEL A MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE ADVICE ASAP CONCERNING USG'S PLANNED FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO ICEM AND UNHCR FOR RESETTLEMENT IN THIRD COUNTRIES AND REPATRIATION OF SUBJECT REFUGEES. BELIEVE WE SHOULD BE IN POSITION TO INFORM BOTH ICEM AND UNHCR WHAT THEY CAN AND CANNOT EXPECT FROM USG FOR THESE ACTIVITIES. DALE

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